

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ A method for using and charging Internet services via a mobile telephone, ~~characterized in that~~ comprising the steps of:
establishing a payment gateway (5) ~~is established~~, which is accessible by a mobile telephone-Internet user via a mobile telephone terminal (1) and by a provider via a provider server (4), where customer data of the user can be held centrally in a database (6) of the payment gateway (5),

opening a micropayment account (7) ~~is opened~~ at a bank (9), where the payment gateway (5) and the micropayment account (7) are continuously synchronized by means of matching the databases,

reserving a certain amount ~~is reserved~~ in the micropayment account (7) via the payment gateway (5) and authorized by the user to the provider,

the provider ~~debts~~ debiting amounts against the amount ~~transferred to him~~ reserved, ~~upon conclusion of the process~~ transmitting the actual charge(s) ~~is/are transmitted by/from~~ the provider to the payment gateway (5) upon conclusion of the process, and

~~the payment gateway (5) allocates~~ allocating the actual charges to the ~~reservations and reserved certain amount~~, wherein the payment gateway debits the amounts to the micropayment account (7), credits the provider and cancels the respective ~~reservations~~ reserved certain amount.

2. (currently amended) ~~Method~~ The method as defined by claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein no electronic money purse data and no customer data are held in the terminal (1).

3. (twice amended) ~~Method~~ The method as defined by claim 1, ~~characterized in that the customer can secure~~ further comprising the step of securing all payment transactions by means of a customer payment PIN.

4. (twice amended) ~~Method~~ The method as defined by claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ further comprising the step of limiting sensitive data ~~remain safe in~~ safely within the mobile telephone network (2) and ~~are not transmitted~~ transmitting sensitive data via the Internet (3).

5. (twice amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 1, ~~characterized in that the mobile telephone network (2) authenticates the customer~~further comprising the step of authenticating the customer via the mobile telephone network (2).

6. (previously withdrawn).

7. (currently amended) ~~Method~~A method for charging Internet services via a mobile telephone, ~~characterized by~~comprising coupling standard dealer software with standard (Internet) payment systems and Internet-enabled standard mobile telephone terminals (1).

8. (currently amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 2, ~~characterized in that the customer can secure~~further comprising the step of securing all payment transactions by means of a customer payment PIN.

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9. (currently amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~further comprising the step of limiting sensitive data ~~remain safe in~~safely within the mobile telephone network (2) and ~~are not transmitted~~transmitting sensitive data via the Internet (3).

10. (currently amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~further comprising the step of limiting sensitive data ~~remain safe in~~safely within the mobile telephone network (2) and ~~are not transmitted~~transmitting sensitive data via the Internet (3).

11. (currently amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 2, ~~characterized in that the mobile telephone network (2) authenticates the customer~~further comprising the step of authenticating the customer via the mobile telephone network (2).

12. (currently amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 3, ~~characterized in that the mobile telephone network (2) authenticates the customer~~further comprising the step of authenticating the customer via the mobile telephone network (2).

13. (currently amended) ~~Method~~The method as defined by claim 4, ~~characterized in that the mobile telephone network (2) authenticates the customer~~further comprising the step of authenticating the customer via the mobile telephone network (2).

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14. (new) The method as defined by claim 1, wherein the reserving step comprises receiving matching data relating to the reserved certain amount from the mobile telephone terminal and the provider.

15. (new) The method as defined by claim 2, wherein the reserving step comprises receiving matching data relating to the reserved certain amount from the mobile telephone terminal and the provider.

16. (new) The method as defined by claim 3, wherein the reserving step comprises receiving matching data relating to the reserved certain amount from the mobile telephone terminal and the provider.

17. (new) The method as defined by claim 4, wherein the reserving step comprises receiving matching data relating to the reserved certain amount from the mobile telephone terminal and the provider.

18. (new) The method as defined by claim 5, wherein the reserving step comprises receiving matching data relating to the reserved certain amount from the mobile telephone terminal and the provider.